



*RTI is committed to improving the quality of education programs in the U.S. and around the world through research, evaluation, training, and policy analysis.*



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# Research in Education



**At RTI, we turn knowledge into practice to benefit students, educators, parents, and policy makers.**

RTI has a long history of supporting efforts to ensure a solid foundation in education for students of all ages in the U.S. and abroad. Our staff of experts conducts studies addressing real-world problems, with a view to informing good policy decisions and improving educational opportunities and experiences for children and adults, including those with disabilities.

Our research activities include program evaluation, needs assessment, policy analysis, classroom observation, development of performance measurement systems, and training for parents, teachers, and others. We also conduct large- and small-scale educational surveys as well as school-based research, and we have been highly successful at recruiting and retaining schools for these studies.



## Highlights of Research in Education Projects

The range of issues RTI addresses is best illustrated by a select list of our projects.

### Child and Family Development

- Legacy For Children
- Preschool Curriculum Evaluation Research
- Early Childhood Longitudinal Study—Birth Cohort
- Early Childhood Education Resource Center

### Migrant Education

- Pennsylvania and Florida Migrant Education Needs Assessment
- Increase Migrant Graduation Rates

### Disability and Workforce Development Policy

- Study of Privatization of Vocational Rehabilitation in Florida
- Workforce Investment Act: Adult Literacy and Disability Perspectives
- Longitudinal Study of the Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program

### Educational Program Evaluations

- Leadership Preparation
- Making Schools Work
- Visualization in Technology Education
- Reading Achievement and Early Literacy Training Programs for Teachers of Hard-to-Reach Students
- Educational Resources Information Center

## Health and Safety

- National Evaluation of Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative
- Evaluating the Effectiveness of the Asthma Intervention Program, Power Breathing
- Study of the Safe and Drug-Free Schools Middle School Coordinator Initiative
- An Impact Evaluation of a School-Based Violence Prevention Program

## Multidisciplinary Expertise

RTI has built a strong foundation in education research. Our projects involve researchers from numerous disciplines, including education, statistics, survey research, computer science, psychology, and international development.

Our expertise covers a wide variety of important issues in education—from early childhood development, parent education, and school safety to vocational education, distance learning, and education management.



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